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For: PRODUCTS AND METHOD

OF CORE CRUSH PREVENTION : July 20, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

REMARKS

Each of the references cited herein was cited in an Official Action by the Taiwan Patent Office in a corresponding Taiwan patent application. A copy of the Taiwan Official Action dated May 30, 2001 together with an English translation thereof also is enclosed for the Examiner's consideration.

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The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the present Continued Prosecution Application. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is required. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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